NEW! Charter Authorizer Directory Feature In the Education Unit Profile with the Release of ESS 10.1

With the release of ESS 10.1, the Education Unit Profile will be enhanced to provide users with access to the Charter Authorizer Directory (C191). Section 8.6 of the ESS 10.1 User Guide includes step by step instructions on how to access this data. The 10.1 user guide will be posted to the ED.gov Initiatives page located under the 'ED*Facts* System Documentation' section at the following link:

http://www2.ed.gov/about/inits/ed/edfacts/index.html

NEW! Suspension of File Processing at 8:01 p.m., EST Thursday, March 6 For CSPR Data Verification

The deadline to submit files for the reopen period for Part I of the SY 2012-13 CSPR is Thursday, March 6, 2014. Once the 8:00 p.m. EST deadline has passed, file processing will be halted to accommodate Data Quality Assurance (DQA) activities for CSPR. File processing will stop at 8:01 p.m., EST Thursday, March 6 and resume sometime on Friday, March 7. During this time, files can be uploaded to ESS as usual, but file processing to the database will be suspended. Submitted files will appear "stuck" in 'Received' status. These files will not actually be stuck, but rather waiting for the database to be restarted so that they can be processed.

Error processing will be functioning normally, so errors in files will be identified prior to them being moved to the database for staging. Please continue to monitor your submissions for errors, but no files will receive 'Transmittal OK' until processing is resumed. If your state submits a file and it does not receive errors. It is likely ready to be staged into the database and will be, in the order it was received, once file processing resumes.

Barring complications, file processing is scheduled to resume the following day. PSC will notify states when processing has resumed. We apologize for any inconvenience.

Reminder: SY 2012-13 CSPR Part I is Now Open for Corrections

Part I of the CSPR is now open for corrections. It will remain open until 5:00PM ET on Friday, March 7; any ED*Facts* data must be resubmitted by 8:00PM ET on Thursday, March 6.

Reminder: ESS 10.1 To Be Released Friday, February 28

ESS 10.1 will be launched on **February 28, 2014**. When the system has been tested and verified, PSC will send a dedicated broadcast detailing the release.

Reminder: Reporting Missing Data in C131-LEA End of School Year Status

The SY 2012-13 C131 LEA End of School Year Status file specification has been updated and reposted to ED.gov to correct an error in the guidance section. The previously posted version instructed states to report a text value of "MISSING" to indicate missing or unavailable data in DG788 (Parental involvement reservation). Since DG788 is a numeric data group, the guidance has been revised to indicate that a negative 1 (-1) should be submitted in the file for LEAs whose data are missing.

Reminder: **Homeless Enrolled Data Quality Results Will Be Sent to States By March 3**

No response to the outreach is required. By Monday, March 3, PSC will send each state's Homeless State Coordinator, ED*Facts* Coordinator, and CSPR Coordinator a workbook containing results of a data quality analysis of the homeless enrolled data (C118) collected in ED*Facts*. The analysis was conducted by Westat under the Data Quality Initiative contract for the Department's Policy and Program Studies Service. The intent of the workbook is to provide a tool that Homeless State Coordinators could use to help identify LEAs that may be potentially underreporting the number of homeless students enrolled in their district. The workbooks are intended to be informational and follow up by the states is not required.

Reminder: Guns Free Schools Act Survey Will Open March 1, 2014

The Guns Free Schools Act Survey (GFSA) will open on March 1, 2014 in E*MAPS*. Please complete your state's survey by the deadline, Monday, March 31, 2014.

Reminder: Response to Outreach about SY 2012-13 CSPR Part I and SY 2012-13 IDEA Part B Assessment Data due by March 6th

States recently received feedback regarding potential data quality issues for CSPR Part I and for IDEA Part B Assessment data. PSC sent emails containing several attachments. OSEP also posted copies of the IDEA feedback on OMB Max. States have until **March 6th** *at 8:00 PM EST* to review the feedback and resubmit files to fix any known issues. In order for resubmitted data to appear in the CSPR, states must open a new version of CSPR Part I and certify it by 5:00 PM EST on March 7th. OSEP also conducts data quality checks on a snapshot of the assessment data as of the close on March 6th. Please contact PSC with any questions.

Upcoming Due Dates and Reminder to Update SSP as Necessary

SY 2012-13 Files

OESE-OSHS Files (Due March 2)
- <u>C086 – Students Involved with Firearms</u>
- <u>C094 – Firearm Incidents</u>
- <u>C163 – Discipline Data</u>

SY 2013-14 Files

NCES/CCD Non-Fiscal (March 31)
- <u>C033 – Free and Reduced Price Lunch</u>
- <u>C052 – Membership</u>
- <u>C129 – CCD School</u>
- <u>C191 – Students Sent and Received</u> – *NEW!*

OESE – ESEA Flexibility (March 31)
- <u>C176 – State Interventions – Flexibility</u>

NOTE: *When a state is granted an extension request to submit a specific file later than the due date, this does not mean that the due date itself has changed.*

EDFacts System Status

This is to provide the current status of the ED*Facts* Submission System (ESS) data:

ESS Status (weekly statistics from Wednesday to Wednesday)

System Status: ESS system is up and running

Files Received: 539

Files Processed: 346 (11 superseded, 178 had errors)

Average File Processing Time: The average processing time was 52 seconds.

Support Issues, Solutions, and Metrics

The following is provided to give you some insight into issues being handled by your Partner Support Center (PSC):

There are no new issues affecting multiple SEAs.

There are no new or updated knowledgebase articles:

Average Time to Resolution (excluding weekends, 6 week rolling average)

Tickets requiring escalation: 8.878 days
Tickets not requiring escalation: 0.625 days
Response time to e-mail inquiries: 0.04 hours

Thank you,
PSC

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